

the UNIGRAM

When? How? When? Rev. Julia Corbett-Hemeyer, Community Minister

I am certain all of us want deeply to return to in-person gatherings in our beloved church in the woods. It feels especially harsh to me that we cannot do this safely at the very time when I so much need and want the solace and comfort of our in-person presence with each other, for myself and for others. I imagine I'm not alone in this. Some of us miss what may seem like "little things." I miss the gently curving walkway into the building, the flowers, and our wetland, the occasional glimpse of a deer. There will be fawns soon. But right now, this is what is.

Probably none of us realized when we stopped gathering in person how long the road ahead of us will be. When the UUA recommended in March that we stop in-person gatherings, I'm sure they didn't know either. Now the new recommendation, in a letter from Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray, dated the afternoon of May 14th: "Based on advice from experts, we continue to recommend that congregations not gather in person. We also recommend that congregations begin planning for virtual operations for the next year (through May 2021)." And no, that isn't a typo. Following that, she wisely said, "Take a moment to breathe. I know this is significant." Let's all of us reading this do that, too. Just breathe.

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Splinters from the Board

Caroline Sullivan, President

May has been a whirlwind of adventure. Your interim/transitional minister search committee (congregational representatives Jamie Butterbaugh, Diane Hill, Jerry McKean with board representatives Brandon Mundell and myself) has been very busy. We were given eight potential matches, each with an extensive ministerial review to study. We had just 2 ½ weeks to read, contact, check references and then give UUA our choices. The candidates were under the same constraints, reading congregational records, calling, interviewing, and putting in their choices. One of Jim Helton's famous piano licks here – we found a match!

It is with great pleasure that the UUCM board, on the recommendation of the interim search committee, introduces our new interim minister. Rev. Barbara Coeyman. Barbara is an accredited interim minister and loves transitional ministry. She will be moving from Lancaster, PA, where she is finishing a four-year developmental ministry. She is a musician, a hiker, and was pleased to know of our Universalist roots, a special interest to her. There is so much more to say but it will be best if she is the one to tell us herself (see page 5 for a note from Rev. Barbara). Let us say that the board and the search committee are honored that she is coming here. We have had open and honest conversation together about challenges UUCM has known in the (continued on page 9)

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Sunday Mornings at Our Church in the Woods

Service at 10:45 am

June Theme :: Compassion

Our theme for the month of June is Compassion. This time of covid-19 calls for many things, and one of those things is compassion: compassion for others, for ourselves, for those with whose response to the pandemic we disagree. Compassion in this time means giving others and ourselves grace and kindness, cutting everyone some much-needed slack. It means finding practical, pragmatic ways to embody our compassion too. As Rev. Seth continues on leave, others will ably fill our virtual pulpit. We will explore the sources of our Unitarian Universalist tradition.

June 7—Rev. Julia Corbett-Hemeyer

June 14—Lynn Sousa, Eloise McKean, Source 2: Prophetic Voices

June 21—Nicole Kaplan with others, Source 6: Earth-Centered Teachings

June 28—No UUCM service this Sunday. Please see details below.

Religious Education for Children & Youth

Classes at 10:00 am & 1:00 pm (see schedule below)

Please join us as we continue our religious exploration online via Zoom each Sunday morning! The RE zoom links will be posted in the Friday eBlast each week.

June 7 – RE Chapel at 10:00 am

June 14 – PreK-2nd & 3rd-5th RE classes at 10:00 am / MSHS class at 1:00 pm

June 21 – PreK-2nd & 3rd-5th RE classes at 10:00 am / MSHS class at 1:00 pm

June 28 – RE Summer Sundays begin! Backyard Zoom Exploration! at 10:00 am

Adult Religious Exploration Offerings

Our mission statement begins by calling us to a continuing exploration of our faith. In pursuit and support of that goal, we offer our Adult RE on Sunday mornings.

Adult Discussion Group Every Sunday, 9:30 am	This group is a chance for people with various personal beliefs to get together and openly discuss a variety of topics. You'll find weekly topics and a Zoom link listed in
Via Zoom	the eBlast each Friday.

Something Different June 28: Worship at 10:00 am!

At its June 3 meeting, Worship Associates decided that we will not hold our regular 10:45 service on June 28, but encourage everyone to join the 10 am Sunday virtual worship at our annual convention, known as GA (General Assembly). This will be a unique opportunity to worship with UUs from across the country. *Watch the eBlast for links, but mark your calendars now*.

Thanks to efforts by **Ben Strack**, **Ric Dwenger**, **Jim Helton** and Worship Associates, our services have been "live" from the sanctuary since May 24. Ben spent hundreds of hours between March 15 and May 17 editing the music and other service components.

Attending GA worship June 28 will give Ben, Ric, and Jim a well-deserved Sunday off.

Theme Exploration – Compassion

Our monthly themes allow us to explore significant theological topics in greater breadth, while also calling us to explore them in greater depth. We integrate out theme into all aspects of our congregational life. I'd encourage you to use the material below to reflect on what compassion means to you.

Sacred Text

Our sacred text this month comes from scholar and author Karen Armstrong:

Our [American] word [for compassion] comes from a Greek Latin root and means to endure something with another person. That means putting yourself imaginatively in other people's shoes, and not just seeing things from your own blinkered, and often self-interested, perspective. But in other faiths, the word for compassion gives us another kind of insight. In Arabic and in Hebrew, too, it's related to rahmah, which is related etymologically to the word for womb. So, compassion... immediately evokes mother love. Now, the icon of a mother and child is universal, a symbol of us all at our best. But mother love is hard. A mother has to get up every night for her crying child no matter how exhausted she is. She has to be aware of what that child is doing at every moment of the day. She has to put her own frustrations and exhaustion and impatience on the back burner, and that child must be in her mind all day long. And then that cute little baby grows up and can become an awful disappointment. But a mother doesn't give up no matter how dispiriting it might be.

Questions for Reflection

Who is one of the most compassionate people you know and why do you think so?

When you have been suffering, what compassionate acts were helpful to you?

Why is it important to show compassion to people we dislike?

Are you a caring and compassionate person? Give examples.

Do you have more compassion for certain types of people than for others? Please explain.

Has there been a time when someone has shown caring and compassion to you? Please describe the situation and how that person's caring and compassion affected you.

Has there been a time when you have shown caring and compassion to another person? Please describe the situation and how your behavior affected both the other person and you.

Resources for Going Deeper

A Self-Compassion Exercise <u>https://bit.ly/2MknM8D</u>

Spiritual Practices

1. Self-Compassion by Counting Up Everything That's on Your Plate:

Don't be fooled by the simplicity of this exercise. The power of it often isn't apparent until you're halfway through.

Set aside an evening. Make sure to wall off a good hour where you know you won't be interrupted by anyone. Take the mood seriously; turn on a favorite piece of music and pour a cup or glass of your favorite drink. Then pull out a pen and one sheet of paper. And spend the next 30 minutes writing down everything that is "on your plate." Every responsibility. Every worry. Every source of stress. Every challenge. Every one that depends on you right now. Trust us; it will take at least 30 minutes. There is hardly anyone who's load is light. Even if you think yours is, you'll quickly realize it's not.

And that's exactly the point. Somewhere between #9 and #14 on your list, you will say to yourself, "My God I'm carrying a lot!" And it will be right then that compassion for yourself will start to set in. Keep going. Keep adding to the list. As you do, it will

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Religious Education Corner

Nadine Tringali Director of Religious Education

This month our theme is **Compassion.** We have purchased a year-long **Soulful Home** subscription for our families to enjoy! In this, the last packet for the 2019-2020 church year, you will find a few familiar favorites and a few new twists.

Please join us as we continue our religious exploration online via Zoom each Sunday morning! The RE zoom links will be posted in the Friday eBlast each week.

- RE Chapel at 10 am with Nadine on Sunday, June 7.
- PreK-2nd grade class and 3rd-5th grade class at 10 am on Sundays, June 14 & June 21. They will begin together and then break out into two separate classes following the chalice lighting.
- MSHS class at 1pm on Sundays, June 14 & June 21.

RE Summer Sundays :: Backyard Zoom Exploration!

Our summer program will run for 10 consecutive Sundays beginning June 28, and is open to all children and youth, but will be targeted to children from preschool through 5th grade. Class will be from 10:00 - 10:30 am every Sunday.

Families will receive an email at the beginning of each week with recommendations of outdoor activities to try or supplies to collect for the following Sunday's class. Activities will vary each week and will encourage children to find things that make them go "Wow" and to discover new ways to play.



If your children don't have time during the week to do the activities, they are still encouraged to attend on Sundays for time to share and gather together.

Please contact **Nicole Kaplan** (she/they) with any questions at <u>nicole.c.kaplan@gmail.com</u>.

Please join us for **Story Time!** Nadine will be online via Zoom from 11:30-noon on Mondays and Wednesdays through the month of June. The link will be posted in Friday's eBlast and will also be posted on the UUCM Facebook page.

Staying connected with our church friends during this time of sheltering-in-place, can be through zoom meetings and by phone, but how great would it be to also send letters or postcards! And not only to your classroom friends, but you may also want to reach out to members of the church and ask how they are, perhaps send a picture, or tell them about something new you did or saw outside. If you would like me to send you a packet of cards and some stamps, please let me know.

Nadine

A Letter from Our New Interim Minister

Rev. Barbara Coeyman



Hello UUCM,

I am delighted and honored to be invited to serve as interim minister of this congregation! Thank you. Indeed, I do feel a deep calling to UU transitioning ministry, serving congregations during times of change.

I have enjoyed recent conversations with UUCM search team and Board. I look forward to getting to know everyone in this community as we partner together. I want to listen to who you are and hear your stories of belonging to this community. Even during this time of online church, our fundamental goals for transitioning ministry remain constant, grounded, in the words in the ministerial contract, in "open communication, mutual trust, good faith, and an open and agreed-upon process."

This is my eighth transitioning ministry. I offer you my experiences as an accredited interim minister, while also supporting your particular hopes and dreams for UUCM. I have lived in many sections of this country and look forward to this new venture of serving in Mid-America Region. Among the facets of my ministry, I come with a passion for creative and collaborative worship working with worship associates and musicians; with outreach to lay leaders in pastoral care; with eagerness to support staff in serving the goals of the congregation; with a mentoring mindset for your governance leadership; with hopes to have fun with you. Also I will invite you to hear more about a spiritual deepening program called "Circles of Trust," inspired by the writing of Parker Palmer: As a credential facilitator in this program I have seen its power to enhance compassionate communications in individuals and communities alike.

During the summer months in between ministries, there is much "passing of the baton" among us ministers. I continue to serve the UU Church of Lancaster, PA through mid-summer, even as I begin to take up the mantle of building connections with UUCM, so to hit the ground running as your minister of record in mid-August.

I look forward to our new journey together!

In faith,

Rev. Barbara Coeyman

Annual (Virtual) Congregational Meeting :: Sunday, June 14, 1:00 pm

UUCM's annual business congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, June 14, 2020, at 1:00 pm. This will be a *virtual* meeting held on Zoom. The Board of Trustees is currently working on the mechanics of holding the virtual meeting and ask for your patience as we solidify the attendance and voting plan. If you need help using zoom or figuring out how to join the meeting, please contact **Caroline Sullivan** <u>cmsull42@gmail.com</u> or **John Bartlett** <u>pmjlghrs@yahoo.com</u>.

For those attending the meeting on Zoom please do the following:

- 1. Put your first and last name on your zoom account so that it will show on the screen; if two of you are sharing a computer, put both names, e.g. Tom and Patsy Smith.
- 2. Check in beginning at 12:30; the meeting starts promptly at 1:00 (this will take time)
- 3. The links for joining the meeting and getting the budget or the minutes will be in next week's eBlast.
- 4. Lastly, be patient with the board as we hold our first virtual meeting, it will be a learning experience for us all.

To be eligible to vote, please ensure that you are a member in good standing according the following passage from our bylaws:

Our By-laws define voting membership as follows: Article III, Section 2. Persons who have been admitted to membership for at least thirty (30) days, who make a financial pledge to the church and make a good-faith effort to pay it, who donate their time and services, and who attend church services and activities are deemed to be voting members with all rights and privileges. Members who by reason of health have not been able to participate in church affairs and members who by reason of financial hardship have not been able to make a monetary contribution, are nonetheless viewed by the church as being members.

Please note that a contribution of record for the 365 days preceding this meeting must be received in the church office by Monday, June 8, to fulfill the voting member requirement. Please contact the office if you have questions about making a contribution <u>uucm@uuchurchmuncie.org</u>.

Following are nominations to be voted on June 14th, 2020:

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Board	Development & Investment Committee
Emily Wornell, president	Denise Ewing
Brandon Mundell, secretary	Jennifer Parks-Strack
Ben Strack, president-elect	
	Internal Finance Review Committee
Nominating Committee	Jim Vincent
Linda McKean	Jay Moorman

UUCM Congregational Business Meeting Agenda

Call to order

- 1. Approval of the agenda
- 2. Approval of the minutes from the October 20, 2019 meeting
- 3. Treasurer's report
- 4. Presentation of the 2020-2021 budget
- Report of the nominating committee Election of board officers Election of development and investment committee Election to internal financial review committee

Adjournment

Summer Worship Series

Six Sources....What Is That All About?

Can you name the Six Sources of Unitarian Universalism? And why do we have them?

Each summer the Worship Associates team sets a theme for six of the seven summer Sundays we are responsible for worship. We decided this year to explore UU Six Sources because we don't know as much about them as we could, and that is probably true for much of the congregation. Full disclosure: we had to check the hymnal to list all of them!

Briefly, the first five Sources came about as part of a 1961 revision of the Principles and were approved in the early 70's. (UUs are deliberative! It takes two consecutive years of affirmative General Assembly votes to add anything to the Principles or Sources.) The Sixth Source was approved in 1995.

Our **Seven Principles** are not beliefs... they are aspirations. The Principles make statements about the world we envision. The **Six Sources** guide us to understand our principles more fully. They are the inspirations from which we draw in our personal searches for truth and meaning.

Some of us draw from one source more than others; some of us draw exclusively from one. Some of us find inspiration in all of them. Rev. Beth Miller writes, "We acknowledge the value of *all* the sources under our big tent of perspectives and are not surprised to hear any of them reflected in worship."

Please join us in this exploration. Your worship team hopes that this summer's exploration of the "big tent" of inspirations under which we all gather will help our congregation move forward. We are a living tradition open to "growth, change, new information and understanding." *And this summer everyone will be in town!*

Here is our summer schedule and the people who have agreed to help us understand how each Source helps us live into our aspirations. The services are not in Source order because the series was designed pre-COVID, when individual summer plans drove the schedule.

Source 1: Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces that create and uphold life.

July 12: Karen & Jay Moorman and others

Source 2: Words and deeds of prophetic people which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love.

June 14: Bea & Lynn Sousa and Eloise McKean

Source 3: Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life. *July 26*: **Diane Hill** with **Rev. Julia**

Source 4: Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves. *July 19*: **Bill Frederick** with Rev. Amy Beltain (Possibly zooming from Portugal where she was when the pandemic began.)

Source 5: Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit.

August 2: Caroline Sullivan with Mike Sullivan and Tom Lowe

Source 6: Spiritual teachings of Earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.

June 21: Denise Ewing with Nicole Kaplan and others. (The day after summer solstice.)

On *July 5* we will celebrate our nation's anniversary with our American Documents service. What documents will **Brandon Mundell** choose this year?

~Bea Sousa, Worship Associates Co-chair

When? How? When?

Rev. Julia Corbett-Hemeyer

There is so much misinformation, deception and downright stupidity that is circulating right now, along with mind-boggling disregard for the facts at the highest levels of government. I am so thankful that those who

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help set policy for our denomination reference those who do know, the medical and scientific community, rather than the politicians!

In her letter, Rev. Frederick-Gray states what has seemed obvious to me all along:

While there is much public conversation about "reopening," the reality is public health officials consistently predict a long trajectory for this pandemic. A majority of our congregational members, leaders, and staff members are in high-risk categories. Our care for the well-being and safety of our members and staff must be a priority in this pandemic.

Despite what some people have suggested, there is no magic bullet, there is no fairy godmother with a sparkly wand, to make this thing be over soon. And we know there are places in which reopening has led to an increase in people becoming ill.

This brings to my mind another point that is important to me as I think about this. I do not think it's appropriate for us to return to in-person services until *all* of us can be there, together, in community. Even if we ourselves are not high risk, we may be caring for someone who is. We may be an essential worker who has no choice but to risk exposure daily. Or we may simply be fearful for our own well-being. Community means *all* of us. And community means doing whatever we can to protect our wider communities, too.

We are being called by circumstances to live more and more fully into our deepest values. As Rev. Frederick-Gray's letter states,

"As COVID-19 disproportionately impacts people with disabilities, Black people, Indigenous communities, Latinx people, the elderly, and essential workers, a majority of whom are women and women of color, religious communities have a moral responsibility to do all we can to reduce risks for those already at such high risk."

It's a social justice issue; it's an interconnected web of life issue.

We don't have the testing, the contact tracing, enough personal protective equipment for our healthcare

professionals, and perhaps not enough ICU beds and equipment if there were to be a huge surge in people who are taken ill. We aren't anywhere close to having a reliable vaccine. This is the reality to which we are called to adapt.

One of the aspects of the pandemic that has been the most difficult for many of us is the uncertainty of pretty much everything about it. Not knowing when it will be over. Not knowing when, or if, it will at some point to be safe to [fill in the blank with the ones that bothers you]. Not knowing what symptoms we ought to pay attention to when it seems as if covid19 can cause any symptom we can think of. Not knowing. Not. Knowing.

In the face of that, the UUA has mapped out a course that puts somewhat of a time frame to how our congregations can deal with the not-knowing. It's a judicious combination of stating parameters and recognizing that they may and likely will change over the course of the coming year.

Rev. Frederick-Gray's letter strikes me as a ministry to us all. It is pastoral. She concludes with this:

"I know adjusting to this new reality is heartbreaking. I also believe congregations who continue to lean into their mission and life-saving ministry will find ways to thrive in this time. Ministry is so deeply needed. As is moral leadership rooted in community care and in science. May we keep offering this to our communities."

I believe firmly that we are doing virtual church and maintaining connection among us as well as any congregation is, and better than many. Having said that, I acknowledge I grieve deeply the loss of face-to-face community. I want to sit with you all in worship, to sing together, to chuckle at the sometimes-comical results when we try to sing rounds. I want to do pastoral care face to face. Zoom, and thank goodness for it, just isn't the same, as helpful as it is. And I grieve the loss of handshakes and hugs, a loss that may become permanent.

We will continue doing what we have been doing all along. We've worshipped, we've provided opportunities for connection, meetings have happened, and decisions have been made. An interim minister will be called. Groups and individuals have stepped up. Every time I've talked with people about what we're doing and what we're planning, I've been amazed by what we've done and what we're doing. But I shouldn't have been! We're UUCM, we will thrive, we have each other's backs. We've got this!

May we find peace, contentment, strength for the journey, and even joy, in this time.

Rev. Julia

Caroline Sullivan, President

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past as well as the great potential for moving forward into a new future. We are ready to work together: congregation and minister in partnership! Welcome, Rev. Barbara.

How do we begin this ministry virtually or digitally? How does Rev. Barbara move and set up a household? How will she meet and get to know us? How will we get to know her? When will it be safe enough for us to all gather together again? The UUA is considering all these questions and, in my opinion only, is handling the issue better than the government. There are three underlying thoughts that the UUA is considering as it decides when to begin opening our churches:

1) we must plan farther ahead as the uncertainty of this pandemic makes month to month decisions chaotic and unfruitful (meaning it will probably be awhile before we gather in person, have face to face meetings or hold social events).

2) we must value the science; (did you read the letter UUCM sent to the UUA? <u>https://bit.ly/35klgYw</u> You would be proud.)

3) we must, as UUs who value the inherent worth and dignity of all people, plan to reopen or partially reopen only when the widest number of our congregants can be included. (Yes, many of our members are in that dangerous age for contracting COVID. There can be no "in" crowd or "out" crowd.)

There are so many little things that many of us don't realize. How much time will it take with physical distancing and small bathrooms for every attendee to wash their hands for 20 seconds before a service? How can all the toys be sanitized between use? How do we set up the sanctuary for physical distancing? Do we want to put the staff at risk while they are performing their duties? Do we want to put congregation friends and members attending meetings or the service at risk? Who will be doing the serious cleaning that will have to be done? How will our beloved coffee hour work? One thing that does seem certain is that there may not be singing. That would mean no choir and no hymn singing on Sunday; the physical act of singing being one of the biggest germ spreaders right now.

Theme Exploration

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become more than apparent - to your heart, not just your head - that you're not just deserving of compassion but also admiration. That's right, there will be this moment when you finally allow yourself to be surprised at how well you are handling things. It will make all those perfectionist, self-punishing voices in your head seem just plain silly. Let yourself feel that. And in that moment, make yourself say something out loud to yourself. Tell yourself exactly the compassionate thing you would say to a friend whose list is as long as yours.

2. All this exercise asks you to do is tape the metta/loving-kindness mantra on your bathroom mirror and give it some thought while you brush your teeth! And of course you are free to improvise: taping it on your coffee machine or writing it on a 3x5 card that you read while eating your morning cereal works just as well.

Here are some versions of the traditional metta phrases:

- May (I/you/all) live in safety, be happy, be healthy, live with ease.
- May (I/you/all) be safe and protected. May (I/you/all) be healthy and strong. May(I/you/all) be truly happy.
- May (I/you/all) be free from danger. May I have mental happiness. May I have physical happiness. May I have ease of well-being

Whichever wording you pick, use it to direct compassion into wider and wider circles of relationship: yourself, someone you love, someone you are neutral towards, someone you have difficulty with and finally toward all beings everywhere. When we intentionally reframe our relationships and tell ourselves what everyone *deserves* is compassion, it changes the way we see them, and it changes us. <u>https://bit.ly/2xJPZBq</u>.

The material in this article is sourced directly from our Soul Matters theme packets.

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Sharing Gratitude

Thank you to **Jim Helton**, **Bea Sousa**, **Ben Strack**, and **Ric Dwenger** for bringing us live music and chalice lighting from our beautiful sanctuary. We will look forward to hearing and seeing this again and again in the coming weeks. Thank you as well to all the other Worship Associates, Sights & Sounds people, and **Nadine Tringali** who are helping making church a more meaningful experience for all of us.

Thanks to **John Bartlett**, who is willing to help people get set up so they can zoom church for us. If you need help connecting, contact John—his phone or email is in the directory or call Christie and she will give you contact info.

What would we do without **Christie Williams**? Our new interim, **Rev. Barbara Coeyman**, wrote to ask if we had more pictures of the sanctuary, and Christie went inside and outside of the church to take pictures on her phone which we sent to Barbara. If you need a church fix, perhaps they are still on her phone. **Gunther Cartwright** also contributed to this endeavor. Thank you both so much. *"Caroline Sullivan*



If you have a gratitude you'd like to submit for the next Unigram, please send it to <u>uucm@uuchurchmuncie.org</u>, subject line "Sharing Gratitude."



Wheel of Life

Phoebe Margaret Carrier-Ladd was born at home on May 21, at 3:56 am. She was 9 lbs, 6 oz, and 22" long. Her siblings met her moments after her birth. We are all quite taken with her and doing our best to adjust to life as a family of six! *~Seth & Elizabeth*

Splinters from the Board

Caroline Sullivan, President

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Your UUCM Board of Trustees has been making some difficult decisions. We decided the rescheduled AWAKEN dinner could not occur. We had to say no to a member who wanted to hold a memorial service for her mother. We are living our values and paying all staff salaries. We helped Julie Fritz set up a fund for gift cards from restaurants to help those needing some temporary help with meals; cooking and delivering meals is just not possible for some right now. The next step is setting up a COVID task force for the church. This TF would include property maintenance, religious education, worship associates, and hospitality among others. It would examine all the minutia surrounding the opening of our public space.

We will make Rev. Barbara welcome when she comes in August, whether we are back in the sanctuary or still meeting digitally. Hoosier hospitality coupled with the creative energy of our congregation will find many ways to meet and greet. And just knowing her from zoom and emails, she is going to bring good ideas of her own to get us off to a good church year.

Please stay safe and healthy, dear people. In love and leadership, *Caroline Sullivan*

June 2020 UUCM Calendar

Online calendar: http://www.uuchurchmuncie.org/members/calendar/

Regular Zoom Events

Check the eBlast for links to these Zoom meetings and more.

Adult Discussion Group	Sundays	9:30 am
Worship Service	Sundays	10:45 am
RE Story Time	Mon & Wed	3:30 pm
Board of Trustees	2 nd Wednesday	6:30 pm
Youth Group	Thursdays	11:30 am
Chat with Rev. Julia	Thursdays	3:00 pm
Isolation Busters with Cindy Turner	Fridays	1:00 pm

June Dedicated Offering Feeding Our Hungry Neighbors

Our Dedicated Offering for June goes again to the Second Harvest Food Bank. We continue to support Second Harvest in light of the continuing hunger crisis associated with the response to the pandemic. At a recent tailgate distribution over 600 cars were lined up for food. Our hungry neighbors need our help more than ever.

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana is devoted to feeding the hungry, advocating for those with food insecurity and providing nutrition education. They fight hunger by working with partner agencies, local schools, corporate partners and a wide network of volunteers to serve hundreds of people each week. Their vision is to see the people of our region free from hunger and self-sufficient.

UUCM has long been a supporter of Second Harvest as part of our mission to Feed Our Hungry Neighbors. Now they need volunteers and financial help to cope with this unprecedented crisis.

You may volunteer to help out by contacting Second Harvest via their website

https://curehunger.org/get-involved/volunteer/ or calling Kellie Arrowood at 765-287-8689 ext. 105.

Financial contributions may be mailed to the church, earmarked Second Harvest. You may also give directly to Second Harvest at <u>https://curehunger.org/get-involved/donate/</u>.



Summer Office Hours

I'm still here at our beautiful Church in the Woods during regular office hours. Even though our building is closed to in-person business through June 30, you can reach me by phone or email 765.288.9561 or <u>uucm@uuchurchmuncie.org</u>. I miss everyone's presence here, but I'm grateful we are doing our part to stay safe and well! *~Christie*

Office Hours

Monday 1:00-4:00 pm

Tuesday – Thursday 9:00 am-4:00 pm

Closed Fridays



"Unitarianism" Harshman Panel Photo by Gunther Cartwright

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